



PARISH BULLETIN

Our Lady of the Rosary Church

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MAY 17, 2009 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Love One Another!

John 15:9-17

The warm red wine burned in his throat, but the Disciple John swallowed anyway. The other disciples were chewing their bread and sipping the harsh wine as they reclined around the table with Jesus.

John was uncomfortable with what Jesus had been saying. Everything the Teacher had spoken seemed like final instructions. It was as if Jesus was about to leave them. John did not want to see any changes. He didn't want Jesus to leave.

Jesus was almost smiling as he leaned back on his elbow, savoring the company and the silence. He took his time, thinking of what he was going to say next.

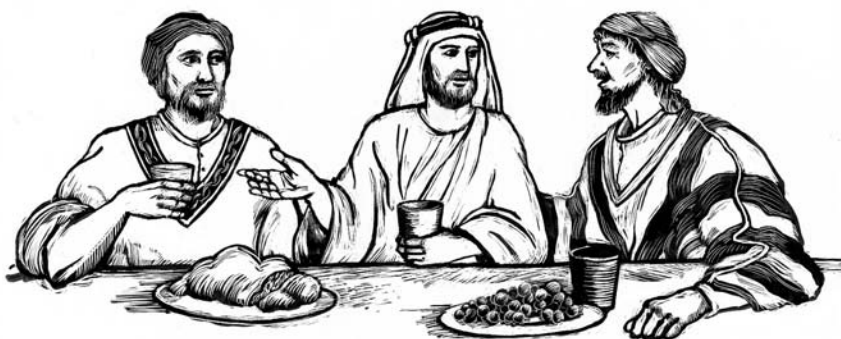
John was still reflecting on what Jesus had just told them about keeping commandments—how Jesus was keeping his father's commandments and how, if John was to abide in Jesus' love, he would have to keep the commandments of Jesus. And just when John was trying to remember what the commandments were, Jesus sat upright and rose to his feet.

John watched Jesus take his time, making eye-contact with each of the disciples. Whatever he was going to say now, John thought, it will be something very important.

"This is my commandment," Jesus said, "that you love one another as I have loved you."

John felt the enormity of what this meant. He would have to love others as much as he loved Jesus—and he loved Jesus a lot! It would be an almost impossible commandment to follow. Even among the disciples it was difficult to love one another. They had grown close to each other over these years together, but even still there were times when there was no love between them.

Jesus continued speaking: "There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer speak of you as slaves, for a slave does not know what his master is about. Instead, I call you friends, since I made known to you all that I heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, it was I who chose you to go forth and bear fruit. Your fruit must endure, so that all you ask the father in my name he will give you."



Jesus sat back down, took a final sip of the wine, and said again: "The command I give you is this, that you love one another."

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Jesus speaks with such brilliance! What other command could be so all-encompassing as this? If we truly love one another then every other commandment must be obeyed. If we truly love one another there can be none of the evils that live in our midst: no hunger, no homelessness, no cruelty and no violence. Loving one another conquers everything.

-- Deacon Dick Folger

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English; 6:15 p.m. Cantonese

Sunday: 6:45 a.m. Spanish; 8:15 a.m. English; 9:45 a.m. Spanish; 11:30 a.m. English

Daily Mass (Bilingual):

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:15 a.m.;

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service on Mondays)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months in advance, (510) 471-2609.

PARISH OFFICE

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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL

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INFORMATION FOR THE COMING WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

For May 18, 2009 to May 24, 2009

Mon. 8:15 a.m. – Communion Service

Tue. 8:15 a.m. – Pepe (Birthday), & Lola Tostado (Birthday)

Wed. 8:15 a.m. – Elias Ramirez (Dec.)

Thur. 8:15 a.m. – Randall Bartlett (Dec.)

Fri. 8:15 a.m. – Pat Dodd (Health)

Sat. 9:00 a.m. – José (Dec.) & Rosa Aguilar (Dec.)

5:00 p.m. – Sammy Ramirez (Dec. 1st Anniversary)

Sun. 6:45 a.m. – Baldomero Montemayor (Dec.)

8:15 a.m. – Gianni Miraglia (Dec.); Ana (Dec.) & Armengol Aguilar (Dec.)

9:45 a.m. – Guadalupe Gutierrez (Dec.); Gumecindo Garcia (Dec.);

Antonio Bedolla (Dec. Anniversary)
11:30 a.m. - Roberto Rivera (Dec.)

WEEKDAY READINGS

For May 18, 2009 to May 23, 2009

Mon Acts 16:11-15 / John 15:26-16:4a
Tues. Acts 16:22-34 / John 16:5-11
Wed. Acts 17:15,22-18:1 / John 16:12-15
Thu. Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 / Mark 16:15-20
Fri. Acts 18:9-18 / John 16:20-23
Sat. Acts 18:23-28 / John 16:23b-28

SUNDAY READINGS

May 24, 2009 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17,20a,20c-26 / 2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16 /
Gospel: John 17:11b-19

COLLECTIONS

May 10, 2009

First Collection	\$7,121.64
Our budgeted goal for the First Collection	9,566.00
Second Collection: St. Vincent de Paul	2,215.00
Exit Collection: Mothers in Need	765.86
Children's Envelopes	138.00

Thank you very much! We appreciate your support.

THIS WEEKEND'S SPONSORSHIPS

HOSTS AND WINE:

By Carmen Gutierrez, in honor of her son Juan Rodriguez on the occasion of his First Holy Communion

FLOWERS: By Our Lady's Guild

To set up a sponsorship, see the form at the bottom of the next page of this Bulletin. Thank you for your support.

NEW ARTICLES

CONGRATULATIONS to the following children who will receive their First Holy Communion at Mass next weekend:

Saturday, May 23rd at the 5:00 p.m. Mass:

Lara Rose Abenojar, Jerome Concepcion, Sean Lal, Christian Moussavi, Joshua Perea, Maryan Rajkoone, Leslie Salazar, Carolina Silva, Angela Tolentino, Michael Tolentino.

Sunday, May 24th at the 6:45 a.m. Mass:

Catherine Gonzalez, Froilan Linares Prado.

Sunday, May 24th at the 9:45 a.m. Mass:

Roberto Hernandez, Karinna Lopez, Ruby Ortiz, Jannet Rodriguez, Eduardo Rojas, Jocelyn Rosales, Claudia Saavedra.

Sunday, May 24th at the 11:30 a.m. Mass:

Richard Cervantez, Dana Chan, Jonathan Garcia, Ethan Leora, Randolph Mercado Jr., Randy Mercado, Miguel Angel Rodríguez.

We would like to thank their families, friends, and teachers who helped to prepare them to receive this sacrament. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

LITURGY COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE 2009 LENTEN SOUP NIGHTS. At its meeting on Tuesday, May 12, the Liturgy Committee reviewed the financial outcome of the 2009 Lenten Soup Nights. The financial results are as follows:

Soup Date	Group	Amount
4-Mar	The Liturgy Committee	164.05
11-Mar	Choir for Masses in English	146.60
18-Mar	Lectors for Masses in Spanish	172.27
25-Mar	Lectors for Masses in English	242.00
1-Apr	Guadalupe Society	140.00
8-Apr	Chinese Community	313.78
TOTAL		1,178.70

The committee determined that the proceeds would be given to the Friday Night Dinners for the Needy, Elderly and Lonely, which are held every week in the Dobrec Room. Due to the economy, there have been a larger number of people coming to the dinners and the funds in that account have been depleted.

The Liturgy Committee thanks all of our parishioners who have eaten at the Wednesday Night Dinners for their participation in this event and for their financial support.

TRAINING FOR MINISTERS TO THE SICK. There will be a short training meeting for our Ministers to the Sick on Sunday, May 31, immediately after the 11:30 mass in the church. You should attend if you are currently a Minister to the Sick, but you may also attend if you are not a minister and are interested in taking communion to the sick. Fr. Jose would like to meet with all of you – please attend. For more information call Gene & Teresa Arciniaga, 510.471.9496.

A WORD OF THANKS. I thank the many parishioners who have sent cards and flowers, as well as those who have offered comforting words and support during my mother’s recent illness and her passing. Your expressions of love have made a most difficult time easier to bear. It is all evidence to me of how great our parish is. – Robert Clark

ARTICLES FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS

PANDEMIC FLU AND OUR LITURGY: There is no need to panic. If you are concerned about contracting H1N1 (Swine) Flu when attending Mass, we want to put your mind at ease. The Diocese of Oakland has prescribed precautions for us to follow to avoid the spread of the flu. They are the following:

- Eucharistic Ministers or Ministers to the Sick who are feeling ill should not serve in their ministries if they feel ill.
- If a parishioner is not feeling well, he or she should exchange the sign of peace with a bow instead of a handshake.
- Before Mass, all Clergy and Eucharistic Ministers will sanitize their hands.
- If a parishioner is feeling ill, he or she should not receive Communion from the cup (as a reminder, self-intinction, which is the dipping of host that one has received into the cup, is not allowed at any time).

There are also things you can do on your own on a daily basis to lessen the chances of spreading pandemic flu. They are the following:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- When you are sick, keep your distance from others, or stay at home.
- When coughing or sneezing, cover your mouth and nose with a tissue and throw it away after use.
- Wash your hands often, and use an alcohol-based hand cleaner.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Hopefully we will all take these guidelines to heart and there will be no outbreaks of pandemic flu in our parish.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FALL. There are openings in all grades, Kindergarten through 8th. Give your child a gift that lasts a lifetime – a Catholic education. It will provide your child a strong academic and moral foundation on which to build a bright future. The sacrifice involved in paying tuition will be far outweighed by the growth you will see in your child. Even in today’s economy a Catholic education is in reach – come talk to us about the possibilities (scholarships and other sources of funding are available for those who qualify). Call us and arrange a visit – 510.471.3765.

ARTICLE FROM OUTSIDE THE PARISH

ANNOUNCING TANGLAW 2009 – THE FIRST DIOCESAN-WIDE FILIPINO CELEBRATION. It will take place on June 13, at the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Bishop Salvatore Cordileone will be the principal celebrant at a Mass which follows a procession starting at 10:00 a.m. From Noon to 2:00 p.m. there will be entertainment, singing, dancing, food, and fun. Fellowship will follow. All are welcome! Please visit this off-web site: <http://tanglaw-oakland.blogspot.com/> or call 510.452.1550 for more information.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Jesus’ commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives, if necessary. What gifts of myself, my skills, my talents, my time, and resources, will best demonstrate my love for God’s people?

Our Lady of the Rosary: SPONSORSHIP OF HOSTS, WINE, CANDLES AND FLOWERS

I want to sponsor the following on the first available weekend – or – on this weekend *

_____:

Hosts (\$25.00/week); Wine (\$35.00/week); Candles (\$77.00/week); Flowers (\$125.00/week)

Today's Date _____

Name _____ Envelope/Acct. # _____

Address _____ Phone _____

I would like my gift recognized as follows:

(Examples: "The Hosts are sponsored by the Guerrero Family."

"The wine is sponsored by Mary Smith in memory of her mother, Gladys Jones.")

* No date guarantees can be made. If a desired week is already taken, the closest weekend will be given.

Please place this in the collection (include this form and donation in an envelope) or bring it to the Parish Office



***This Week
At O.L.R.***

Tuesday, May 19

Bible Study, English, Eddie Dobrec Room, 10:00 a.m.

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Bible Study, English, Orozco Group, Office Room 206, 7:00 p.m.

7th and 8th Grade Youth Group, Upper Room, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

School Board Meeting, Office Room 107, 7:00 p.m.

Our Lady's Guild Meeting, Eddie Dobrec Room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 21

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Little Rock Scripture Study in English, Office Room 107, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 22

Rosary Night, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

Dinner for those in need, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice, Church, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 23

Rosary Night, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 24

Second Collection for Diocesan Obligations

English Choir Practice, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Night, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

High School Youth Group, Upper Room, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.